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passengers and 37 members of crew steamship *Kennebec*, bound to Manila. Manifests were viséd for 7,884 pieces of freight.

The municipal health officer reports for the week: Smallpox, 2 cases and 13 deaths; enteric fever, 4 cases; diphtheria, 1 case and 2 deaths; tuberculosis, 32 deaths; total mortality, 3 foreigners and 132 natives.

No quarantinable diseases were reported from outports.

During the week ended April 2, 1904, 1 vessel, with 32 crew, bound to Manila, was inspected and 26 natives of the crew were vaccinated.

The report of the municipal health officer shows for the week: Smallpox, 3 cases and 15 deaths; enteric fever, 1 case; diphtheria, 1 case and 2 deaths; tuberculosis, 29 deaths. The total mortality was 4 foreigners and 115 natives.

As stated in previous communications, the number of deaths reported here from contagious diseases is but a small percentage of those actually occurring, owing to the inability of the authorities to collect reliable statistics.

There were no quarantinable diseases reported from outports.

COSTA RICA.

Report from Limon, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Goodman reports as follows: Week ended April 30, 1904. Estimated population, 4,000; number of deaths, 6; prevailing diseases, malarial fever and enteric disorders.

No evidence of any quarantinable disease in or around this port at present. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country can never be called good as long as surface cesspools, stagnant pools of water, and other numerous breeding places for mosquitoes exist.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Apr. 25	Sarnia	53	31	5	0
26	Admiral Schley	55	16	0	0
26	Taunton	24	0	0	0
28	Oracabessa	45	1	0	0
29	Mt. Vernon	21	0	0	0
30	Baker	42	0	0	0

CUBA.

Report from Matanzas—Enteric fever and scarlatina—Quarantine of vessel from Tampico.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Nuñez reports, May 3, as follows:

During the week ended April 30, 1904, bills of health were issued to 7 vessels leaving for United States ports.

The British steamship *Camperdown*, which arrived in this port April 22 from Tampico, Mexico, via Cardenas, Cuba, was held in quarantine while in this port as a precautionary measure against yellow fever. She cleared for Philadelphia direct on April 27, having no sickness on board.

Two cases of enteric fever and two of scarlatina have been reported in this city during the past week. No quarantinable disease has been reported.

Mortuary statistics of the city of Matanzas, April 20-30, 1904.

Causes of death.	Number of deaths.	Bertillon number.
Broncho-pneumonia.....	1	92
Enteritis.....	3	105
Meningitis.....	4	61
Tuberculosis.....	5	27
Cardiopathy.....	1	79
Nephritis.....	2	120
Uremia.....	1	120
Senility.....	1	154
Infiltration, urinary.....	1	124
Debility, congenital.....	1	151
Cancer of the tongue.....	1	39
Shock, traumatic.....	1	166
Eclampsia, post-partum.....	1	138
Disease of the arteries (unqualified).....	2	81
Total.....	25

Estimated population, 48,000; annual rate of mortality per 1,000, 19.01.

ECUADOR.

Reports from Guayaquil—Inspection of vessels—Yellow fever—Quarantine against Peruvian ports.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Gruver reports, April 18, as follows, Week ended April 16, 1904.

Present officially estimated population, 60,000. Total number of deaths, 64, as follows: Yellow fever, 8; fevers without classification, 13; tuberculosis, 6; whooping cough, 3; dysentery, 5; all other causes, 29.

On April 10 the steamship *Tucapel* cleared for Panama with a crew of 88, 2 cabin and 5 steerage passengers; all told, 95. This steamer came from Panama, bound for Valparaiso, but her itinerary was changed here and she was returned to the former city.

At the mouth of the river she was met by the steamship *Limari*, from Chilean and Peruvian ports, and exchanged passengers, with which she proceeded to Panama.

The nonintercourse quarantine established against ports south because of the reported presence of bubonic plague has been partially raised. Vessels are now admitted "incomunicado" for the purpose of discharging cargo and taking on passengers and cargo. No passengers from the south are admitted at this port, but it is possible for them to cross over from Tumbez to Santa Rosa and come here. Because of the quarantine regulations in force here I can not go on board a vessel from the south to examine it or the crew.

The Clayton fumigating apparatus has been put in service and is doing very effective work, but dead rats are dumped into the river by the bucketfuls.

The board of health is actively engaged cleaning the city. For this purpose it has been divided into sections, each under the direction of a member of the board who superintends a house-to-house inspection and orders such sanitary measures to be taken as he thinks necessary.